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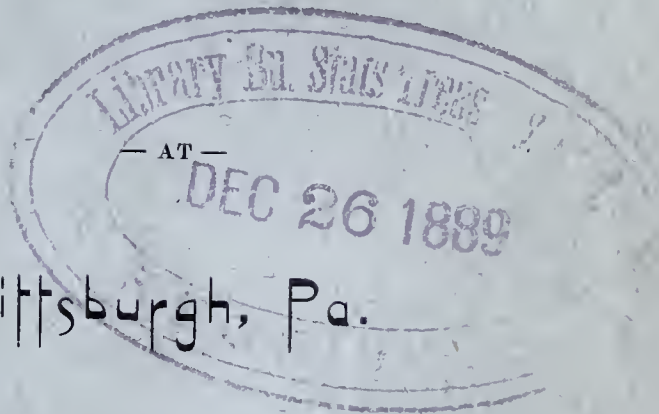
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Allegheny County



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Report of Centennial Committee.

To the Directors of the Chamber of Commerce :

On behalf of the Committee on Celebration of the Centennial of Allegheny County, I beg leave to make the following report:

The celebration was a grand success, and was carried out in detail, complete as arranged. It occupied three days' time, September 24th, 25th and 26th, 1888.

On the 24th, the proceedings were mainly ceremonial. At 9 o'clock, a. m., the Police and Firemen of the two Cities paraded. Two large meetings were held, forenoon and afternoon. At the forenoon meeting the New Court House was dedicated to public use; in the evening, Fireworks and Illuminations. John Bindley, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee having charge of this day's proceedings.

On the 25th, there was a Grand Civic, Industrial and Commercial Procession, nearly six miles long, and participated in by 21,000 people. In the evening, Fireworks and Illuminations. Charles W. Batchelor, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee having charge of this day's proceedings.

On the 26th, there was a Grand Military Parade, consisting of detachments and brigades of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, troops from Ohio, West Virginia, and Maryland, and surviving Veterans of the Mexican War, the Union Veteran Legion, the Grand

Army of the Republic and Sons of Veterans ; in all nearly 10,000 marching men. In the evening, Fireworks and Illuminations. Wm. P. Herbert, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee having charge of this day's proceedings.

Col. Thomas P. Roberts was Chairman of the Sub-Committee having charge of the Illuminations and Decorations and Fireworks for the whole three days.

The celebration cost about \$20,000, which sum was raised by contributions from the people and corporations. Wm. E. Schmertz, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Finance.

Arrangements were made with Railroad Companies for reduced rates of fare, and with Hotels for uniform charges for boarding and lodging. George L. Holliday, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Transportation, Hotels and Accomodations.

A systematic plan for writing up and advertising the celebration was adopted. John S. Ritenour, Esq., was Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Literary Work and Advertising.

A Special Committee was appointed, who prevailed on the political parties to suspend all meetings and parades during the three days' celebration. Geo. Y. McKee, Esq., was Chairman of this Special Committee.

A Special Committee was appointed who arranged the details of the Parade of Police and Firemen. John N. Neeb, Esq., was Chairman of this Special Committee.

A Special Committee was appointed on Police Regulations, who arranged with the authorities all matters of Police Protection and Cleansing of Streets. John Bindley, Esq., was Chairman of this Special Committee.

A Standing Sub-Committee on Printing was appointed, of which Charles Meyran, Esq., was Chairman.

A Standing Sub-Committee on Auditing was appointed, of which S. T. Harbison, Esq., was Chairman.

Charles Meyran, Esq., was elected Treasurer, who gave bond, approved by the Centennial Committee, in the sum of 10,000 dollars.

Under instructions of the Centennial Committee the undersigned had a history of Allegheny County prepared, of which the Committee received 5,000 copies free of cost. The authors of this history were Rev. A. A. Lambing and Hon. J. W. F. White, who kindly gave their gratuitous services. 1,000 copies of the above contained descriptions of the celebration as it took place.

A standing Sub-Committee on Reception and Invitations was created by the General Committee, who appointed Morrison Foster, Chairman of this Sub-Committee.

As part of this report the accompanying volume is submitted marked "Official Copy," containing a history of Allegheny County, and description of the three day's celebration as it actually took place.

I submit, herewith, the report of John Bindley, Esq., Chairman of the Sub-Committee on first day's proceedings and heartily concur in the praises and thanks he gives to the County Commissioners, Robert E. Mercer, George Y. McKee and Daniel McWilliams, Esquires. These gentlemen stood by the Centennial Committee from the beginning to the end, a period of eleven months, and aided materially and morally in carrying the celebration to its glorious termination. I also heartily indorse the credit given by Mr. Bindley to

Professors John Gernert, J. P. McCollum and Fred. G. Toerge ; also, to the Ladies and Gentlemen composing the volunteer chorus of singers ; to the School Children ; to Professors Reinhart, Slack, Martin and Prosser and Sheriff A. Æ. McCandless. The expenses of the first day's proceeding were \$881.07.

I also submit the report of Charles W. Batchelor, Esq., Chairman of the Sub-Committee on second day's proceedings. I approve and recommend to the approval of the Centennial Committee the disposition made by Capt. Batchelor, of the emblematic pictures representing "Commerce," used in the parade, giving one set to the Western Pennsylvania Exposition Society and the other set to the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Our thanks are due to the various Labor Organizations who turned out in the Civic Parade, nearly 20,000 strong, furnishing their own bands of music, etc., without one cent of expense to the Centennial Committee, also to the various Professional and Beneficial Associations, and Commercial and Official Bodies, who gave their presence and encouragement to the occasion. As stated by Capt. Batchelor the thanks of the Centennial Committee are due to John Sheats, of Liverpool, J. R. Dunbar, of Newport and S. E. Henry, of Huntingdon for assistance in furnishing miniature Canal Boats for the parade. The expenses of the second day's Committee were \$2,032.72.

I also submit, herewith, the report of Wm. P. Herbert, Esq., Chairman of the Sub-Committee on third day's proceedings. This day was devoted to a military and patriotic display, which was alike creditable to the Sub-Committee and to the brave men who participated in it.

Capt. Herbert estimates that not less than 9,500 persons were in the parade, exclusive of the musicians in 50 bands. The parade was in three divisions. The first division consisted of military companies, 3,900 men. The second division consisted of the Union Veteran Legion, the Survivors of the Mexican War and other veteran organizations, 1,500 men. The third division consisted of the Grand Army of the Republic, 3,600 men, and the Sons of Veterans, 500.

The parade was the finest ever seen in Western Pennsylvania. I join with Capt. Herbert in thanks to Col. Norman M. Smith, Thos. E. Watt, E. D. Smith, Daniel McWilliams, George Sheppard, Sheriff A. Æ. McCandless, Gen. W. A. Robinson, Gen. A. L. Pearson, A. P. Burchfield, A. J. Logan, S. S. Marvin, and Charles F. McKenna, for their efficient services on this Sub-Committee, and to the persons who contributed provisions free of charge.

The total cash payments of the Third Day's

Committee were.....	\$8,118 63
Amount paid by abatements on transporta-	
tion accounts.....	1,576 24

\$9,688 87

Value of contribution of provisions.....	323 60
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The report of Col. Thos. P. Roberts, Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Decorations and Illuminations, herewith submitted, is worthy of the profoundest consideration. To this Committee was confided a task which required in its executors, not only business ability, but scientific acquirements of the highest order. A large portion of the satisfaction given the people was due to the wonderful displays made by this Committee during

the three nights of the celebration. I heartily concur in the thanks given by Col. Roberts to Thomas A. Gillespie, Esq., and the Philadelphia Natural Gas Co., to Mr. Jones and Mr. G. E. Gilmore of the same company; also, to Mr. John Young, General Superintendent; and the Allegheny Heating Co., for their kind offer of natural gas free of charge. To Capt. John A. Wood, to Capt. A. E. Hunt and the members of Battery B, and others who contributed property and services so liberally. The outlay of money by the Sub-Committee on Decorations and Illuminations was \$2,932.36; but Col. Roberts estimates that the natural gas and other contributions and gratuitous services rendered would swell the amount to \$5,000.00 in value.

The Sub-Committee on Literary Work and Advertising did a vast amount of useful work in disseminating information concerning the coming celebration, and they secured the most of this advertising free of charge. The city papers kindly published gratuitously a large amount of matter furnished by this Committee, and besides this, articles from a column to a column and a half long were published in 109 newspapers in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia. Mr. W. H. Davis, the manager of the Pittsburg News Agency, was of great service to the Committee, and deserves special thanks. The expenditures of the Sub-Committee on Literary work and advertising amounted to \$615.75.

The Sub-Committee on Reception and Invitations invited about fifty prominent persons and old Pittsburgers to participate in the celebration as the guests of the Centennial Committee. The following ladies and gentlemen accepted the invitation and participated in the hospitalities of the Committee:

Ex-President Rutherford B. Hayes and Mrs. Hayes, Governor James A. Beaver and Mrs. Beaver, Gen. James A. Ekin and Mrs. Ekin, Gen. John F. Hartranft, Mrs. Hartranft and Miss Hartranft, Department Commander Frank J. Magee, G. A. R., Brig. Gen. John A. Wiley, Hon. John B. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Wm. O'Hara Robinson, Hon. Lecky Harper and Mrs. Harper, Hon. John Dalzell and Mrs. Dalzell, Hon. Benj. Patton, Hon. Oscar L. Jackson, M. C., Adjutant Gen. H. A. Axline, of Ohio, Judge H. W. Hoffman, of Cumberland, Md., Samuel Gompers, Esq., President American Federation of Labor and Commander-in-Chief, William Warner, of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Centennial Committee return thanks to all the ladies on the Reception Committee for their efforts, especially Mrs. Judge Samuel Jones, for her generous entertainment of the invited guests and to Mrs. J. S. McMillin, for hospitalities shown them.

The expenses of the Committee on Reception and Invitations were \$732.20.

I submit the report of John Bindley, Esq., Chairman of the Special Committee on Police Regulations. I join with Mr. Bindley in thanks to the officials and police authorities of the cities of Pittsburg and Allegheny for their efforts and success in preserving order and preventing accidents; to the Street Commissioners who had the streets thoroughly cleaned and prepared for the celebration, and to the street car companies who refrained from running their cars while the different parades were passing.

The expenditures of the Special Committee on Police Regulations were \$191.00.

The Sub-Committee on Transportation and Accommodations, of which George L. Holliday, Esq., was Chairman, made favorable arrangements for rates of fare on railroads, most of which were at one cent per mile, and also with hotels, by which uniform and reasonable rates of boarding were secured for those coming to the cities to witness the celebration. Much credit is due to this Sub-Committee for their successful exertions in arranging rates of transportation and in securing contributions from railroad companies. Percy F. Smith, Esq., was of great service in these matters.

The Sub-Committee on Finance, of which Wm. E. Schmertz, Esq., was Chairman, was one on which we mainly depended for successfully carrying out our programme.

This Committee worked with untiring zeal and succeeded in raising cash contribu- tions to the amount of.....	\$17,799 44
The contributions in the way of deductions from bills for transportation of troops were.	1,576 24
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	\$19,375 68
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The expenses of the Finance Committee were.....	\$ 545 00
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The Sub-Committee on Printing, of which Charles Meyran, Esq., was Chairman, procured and distributed over all the railroad lines, a vast number of large posters and handbills, besides having much other necessary printing done.

The expenses of the Printing Committee were \$608.25.

The general expenses of the Centennial Committee, extending over a period of seventeen months for clerical services, special advertising, stenographic work, compensation of Secretary, etc., amounted to \$1,148.46. No member of the Centennial Committee received one dollar for services in any shape.

The undersigned appointed Gilbert Follansbee, Esq., as Secretary of the Centennial Committee, which appointment was unanimously approved by the Committee. Mr. Follansbee was untiring in his exertions, not only in keeping the records, but in generally furthering the celebration. He also acted as Secretary of the various sub-committees.

The expenses of the Centennial Committee may be stated as follows :

First day's Sub-Committee.....	\$ 881 07
Second " "	2,032 72
Third " "	9,688 87
Sub-Committee on Literary Work and Advertising.....	615 75
Sub-Committee on Illuminations and Decorations.....	2,932 36
Sub-Committee on Printing.....	608 25
Sub-Committee on Finance.....	545 00
General Centennial Committee.....	1,148 46
Sub-Committee on Reception and Invitations.....	732 20
Sub-Committee on Police Regulations.....	191 00
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	\$19,375 68

To this may be added the estimated value of provisions contributed for use of troops (over and above those paid for)....	323 60
Also materials and services contributed to Sub-Committee on Decorations and Illuminations estimated at.....	2,000 00
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The total amount contributed by railroad companies in cash and by deductions off transportation bills was \$2,302.68.

I am happy to report that every debt incurred by the Centennial Committee has been promptly and fully paid.

Under the rigid system of accounting and disbursements adopted by the Committee, errors or omissions could hardly occur.

The Auditing Committee, S. P. Harbison, Chairman, report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Charles Meyran, Esq., and find them correct. All monies received were paid out and accounted for by proper vouchers.

I recommend that the bond filed by Mr. Meyran as Treasurer be cancelled and returned to him.

To the newspapers who gave such substantial encouragement to the celebration, the Committee tender their sincere thanks. Their aid was simply invaluable.

The undersigned finds himself overwhelmed with the obligations he is personally under, to the members of the Centennial Committee for the assistance and encouragement he received from them. With their strong arms and clear intellects supporting him he never faltered in his confidence of the success of the celebration. Without these aids so freely extended, he could have done nothing.

Where all the members of the committee did so well, he trusts he will be pardoned for naming the following gentlemen to whom the people are especially indebted for their services in making the celebration a success:

Wm. E. Schmertz Esq.,	Gen. A. L. Pearson,
Charles W. Batchelor, Esq.,	Gen. W. A. Robinson,
Col. Thos. P. Roberts,	Hon. B. F. Rynd,
Charles Meyran, Esq.,	Wm. Weihe, Esq.,
John Bindley, Esq.,	John N. Neeb, Esq.,
Wm. P. Herbert, Esq.,	Charles J. Clarke, Esq.,
Geo. L. Holliday, Esq.,	B. L. Wood, Jr., Esq.,
S. P. Harbison, Esq.,	Col. A. P. Burchfield,
John S. Ritenour, Esq.,	J. M. Kelly, Esq.,
S. S. Marvin, Esq.,	Alex. Æ. McCandless, Esq.,
John B. Jackson, Esq.,	Rev. James Allison, D. D.,

Percy F. Smith, Esq.,	P. W. Joyce, Esq.,
Isidore Coblens, Esq.,	Charles F. McKenna, Esq.,
Col. Norman M. Smith,	Maj. Samuel Harper,
Hon. Chas. S. Fetterman,	Gottlieb Faas, Esq.,
A. J. Logan, Esq.,	Alexander Dempster, Esq.
Wm. Eberhardt, Esq.	

Respectfully submitted,

MORRISON FOSTER,

Chairman Centennial Committee.

Friday, March 1, 1889, unanimously approved by the Centennial Committee, and the Chairman authorized to report the same to the Chamber of Commerce.



Action of the Chamber of Commerce.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, of Pittsburg, held this day, Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman of Centennial Committee, submitted the report of the Committee, which was unanimously approved and the Committee discharged, with the thanks of the Chamber, as expressed in the following paper, offered by Hon. John F. Dravo and unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, The Centennial Celebration of Allegheny County proved to be a grand success, and

WHEREAS, This success was only secured by persistent and exacting labors of the Centennial Committee, Sub-Committees, and especially the Chairman of said Committee, therefore

Resolved, That the thanks of this Chamber are due, and are hereby extended, to the General Committee, Sub-Committees, and especially to Hon. Morrison Foster for his patriotic devotion to the work committed to his oversight and his unwearied and persistent labors in securing a success, gratifying to all the citizens of Allegheny county and Western Pennsylvania,

On motion of Mr. George A. Kelly it was agreed that 1,000 copies of the report and accompanying papers, as read and approved, be printed for circulation.

S. L. McHENRY,

Secretary.

PITTSBURG, March 4th, 1889.

First Day's Proceedings.

REPORT OF JOHN BINDLEY, ESQ., CHAIRMAN SUB-COMMITTEE ON FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman Allegheny County Centennial Committee.

DEAR SIR:—Your committee upon first day's proceedings begs to report that they assumed the duties as set forth by the General Committee, carrying out in spirit and to the letter their interpretation of the instructions as expressed in the resolution.

The morning of the one-hundredth anniversary of our county, September 24th, was devoted to a parade of the departments of Public Safety of the two cities and the old Volunteer Firemen, and the dedicatory ceremonies of the new court buildings.

The parade reflected the highest credit upon the chief executive officers of these departments. The condition and bearing of the men was a revelation to the most of our citizens. The old Volunteer Firemen created an enthusiasm which could only be entered into by those who could recall their departed glory.

The contrast brought vividly before us, as the parade passed in review, and showed clearly some of the rapid strides we have made in the past, and may the next centennial anniversary see—as it surely will—still greater advancement in the culture, safety and happiness of our people.

The dedicatory ceremonies were carried out as per arranged programme.

The afternoon ceremonies partook of the nature of a mass meeting of the people, orations, history, singing in chorus by the school children of the two cities; also, chorus singing of our musical societies, as per arranged programme.

The execution was in strict keeping with the mapped-out arrangements, without abridgements or amendments.

The encomiums passed upon the celebration showed the wisdom of the perception of your committee in conceiving the appropriate method of celebrating our centennial.

Your Sub-Committee desire to return thanks to our County Commissioners, Messrs Mercer, McKee and McWilliams, for their hearty and patriotic co-operation before and during the celebration. Too much cannot be said in praise of these gentlemen for their generous support. Through their courtesy and liberality we not only had use of the Court House, but also of the grand stand fronting Grant street, for our meetings and reviewing the third day's parade.

Also to Prof. John Gernert for his volunteer services in directing the orchestra at the morning ceremonies and for his suggestions and aid in arranging of programmes.

At the afternoon meeting we were much indebted to Prof. J. P. McCollum for his generous and able assistance in arranging programme, the execution of same and the organizing of a volunteer choir of 400 of our best voices. It is with pleasure we mention the ladies and gentlemen composing the choir or chorus, as this part of our programme was quite a feature. The suc-

cess of this portion of the entertainment was so manifest as to put beyond question the extent of its appreciation by the entire assemblage,

Our thanks are due to Prof. Fred Toerge for his volunteer services in directing the grand orchestra.

For a successful and unique part of the programme we are much indebted to Dr. A. Æ. McCandless and his co-laborers, Messrs Emory and Reisfar, and to Professors Reinhart, Slack, Martin and Prosser for the children's chorus.

For the historical part of the programme we are under obligations to Hon. J. W. F. White and Rev. A. A. Lambing.

Our thanks are due to the gentlemen who so kindly volunteered their services as ushers.

We congratulate you upon the success of the celebration which was "one of the people," "for the people," and "by the people."

We annex your report of the proceedings, also the financial report and condition of the appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BINDLEY,
Chairman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Appropriation.....	\$1,300 00
By warrant—J. P. McCollum, car fare attending rehearsals.....	\$ 8 00
“ “ J. P. McCollum, one musician.....	5 00
“ “ Grand Army Band (forenoon meeting)...	160 00
“ “ Centennial Orchestra (afternoon meeting)	329 00
“ “ Sheet Music.....	182 82
“ “ Carriages for ministers and orators.....	28 00
“ “ Badges.....	165 25
“ “ Printing.....	3 00
Total expense.....	\$881 07
Balance in appropriation.....	\$ 418 93

Second Day's Proceedings.

REPORT OF CAPTAIN CHARLES W. BATCHELOR,
CHAIRMAN OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON SECOND
DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman.

DEAR SIR :—I respectfully offer the following as an explanation of the doings of the Sub-Committee, in charge of the Second Day's proceedings of the Celebration of the Centennial of Allegheny County :—

Total amount expended, as will appear in detail, by vouchers furnished the financial committee.....	\$2,032 72
Appropriation allowed.....	2,000 00
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Amount over appropriation.....	\$32 72

The bills contracted for by the Committee have all been approved and paid.

The programme, as agreed upon by the Committee was literally carried out, and we believe everything passed off to the entire satisfaction of all concerned.

The pictures, representing "Commerce," used in the parade are now, by permission of the County Commissioners, stored in the Court House. The pictures are considered valuable, and we think ought to be preserved. We would therefore, recommend that one set (they are duplicates), be presented to the Western Pennsylvania Exposition Society, and the other set to the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society.

The parade was acknowledged to be a success, and the citizens of the County can point with pride to the fact, that it was the largest parade that was ever formed in Western Pennsylvania. It is impossible to mention, and give in detail, special credit to those who contributed to make up that grand pageant, and we can only in a general way, return thanks to *all* who participated in the display, representing the business of the County. I am glad to be able to report that not one accident of any kind (so far as I know), occurred to cause injury to person or beast. I here acknowledge the valuable services of, and sincerely thank the staff officers and division commanders, for the assistance rendered in the formation and handling of the parade. I refer with pleasure and pride to the first division of the procession, composed of labor organizations. Never in the history of the County have we had so fair a representation of the "wage workers" of this section of the country, where twenty thousand mechanics and artists formed in line of parade as on that day, and I doubt if there ever was in any part of the United States a better organized or better officered body of the same class of men, or who did better marching than they.

To John Sheats, of Liverpool, Pa., J. R. Dunbar, of Newport, Pa., and S. E. Henry, of Huntingdon, Pa., I am indebted for their valuable assistance in furnishing the miniature canal boats, used in the parade, and I here return the sincere thanks of the Committee for same.

Respectfully submitted, by order of the Committee.

CHAS. W. BATCHELOR,
Chairman and Chief Marshal of the Parade.

Third Day's Proceedings.

REPORT OF CAPT. W. P. HERBERT, CHAIRMAN SUB-COMMITTEE ON THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman Centennial Committee.

MY DEAR SIR :—In compliance with your request, I take pleasure in reporting the operations and expenditures of the Committee on Third Day's Proceedings. I regret the unavoidable delay in reporting, caused by difficulties in the way of a settlement of some of our bills for transportation, and other intervening duties. With some degree of hesitation, I accepted the Chairmanship of the Third Day's Committee, with which in your kindness and partiality you honored me. The valued and cheerful assistance rendered by the members of the Committee, and the great success which crowned the enthusiastic efforts of the Committee, was our full compensation. After a careful sub-division of our Committee, and the assignment of special work, each section entered heartily into the arrangements.

Col. Norman M. Smith, Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Military, at once opened correspondence with the Adjutant General's Department of Pennsylvania, and the three contiguous States of Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia, which resulted in a representation from each of those States in the military parade of the third day. Arrangements for the transportation of the troops

were necessary, and required patient and laborious work on the part of the Sub-Committee. Quarters and subsistence for the visiting military were necessary; and were provided by the Sub-Committees, and gave general satisfaction to the visitors. The Sub-Committee on the Grand Army of the Republic, the Union Veteran Legion, and the Veterans of the Mexican War each entered into the necessary arrangements with intelligent zeal and earnest effort that promised large results, which were more than fully realized. The Committee extended an invitation to ex-Governor John F. Hartranft, Major General commanding the National Guard of Pennsylvania, to act as Commander-in-Chief of the parade. He gracefully accepted and under his direction, Col. Chas. S. Greene, his Adjutant General, came early to this city and arranged the details of the great parade. The Third Day, September 26th, the citizens of our county, and the thousands of visitors who filled our streets as they never had been crowded before, witnessed the finest parade of soldiers that ever marched through our twin cities. Leading the column was the gallant soldier, Major Gen. Hartranft, with his personal staff and a large number of prominent military officers, with a number of United States army and navy officers, who served as his special aids-de-camp for the occasion.

The First Division was led by Gen. J. A. Wiley and staff commanding the Second Brigade, National Guard of Pennsylvania, which mustered with full ranks, and was an imposing display. Large representations of the National Guard of Ohio, Maryland and West Virginia followed, with a number of independent military battalions of our own cities, and from Titusville, Pa.

and Canton, Ohio. The various organizations presented a highly creditable appearance, and their marching and conduct whilst in the city entitled them to praise.

The Second Division was composed of the Union Veteran Legion, the Veterans of the Mexican war, and other old veteran organizations: The Union Veteran Legion led by their National Commander, Gen. A. L. Pearson, with its solid columns of scarred veteran soldiers, elicited the warmest sympathy and commendation. The survivors of the Mexican war were marshaled, in unexpected numbers, by Comrade C. F. McKenna, and the appearance of these gray headed veterans of the "Forties" was received with much enthusiasm.

The Third Division, the Grand Army of the Republic paraded with full ranks, and the "Boys in Blue" as usual, were welcomed by the masses with honors and high appreciation. The presence of Major William Warner, Commander-in-chief, and Col. Frank J. Magee, Department Commander of the Grand Army, with their staffs, added greatly to the enthusiasm of the occasion. The Sons of Veterans followed their seniors in the line, and presented an appearance worthy of their sires. A delay in the forward movement of the Third Division, occasioned possibly by the throngs that blocked the avenues and streets, detracted somewhat from the full grandeur of the parade, but nothing else occurred to mar the success of the display.

The presence of his Excellency, Governor James A. Beaver, with his full military staff to review the grand parade, added greatly to the brilliancy of the event. Governor Foraker, of Ohio, in his unavoidable absence, was represented by Gen. H. A. Axline, his Adjutant

General, who joined in the review.

We estimate pretty closely the number in line as follows :

	MEN.
Second Brigade, National Guard of Pennsylvania.....	2,800
From Ohio National Guard.....	300
“ Maryland National Guard.....	200
“ West Virginia National Guard.....	180
Independent Battalions.....	420
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Total military.....	3,900
Union Veteran Legion.....	1,400
Mexican Veterans and others.....	100
Grand Army of Republic.....	3,600
Sons of Veterans.....	500
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Aggregating.....	9,500

The subsistence of the large number of visitors participating in the parade, required experience and energy. Each division arranged for the subsistence of its members. The Sub-Committee on subsistence for the military, Captain A. J. Logan and S. S. Marvin, Esq., exercised unusual care and prudence in providing rations for the troops ; and are deserving of the highest commendation. Your Committee anticipated an outlay of about \$800.00 for this purpose, whereas the Sub-Committee's vouchers called for but \$384.17, although over sixty-two hundred rations of an excellent quality were issued. For the detail of how this economical plan was carried out, we submit the Sub-Committee's admirable report as a part of our report. Our expenditures were as follows :

For transportation of National Guard of Pennsylvania, warrants were given to the different Railroad Com- panies, amounting to.....	\$2,573 82
For National Guard of Ohio.....	903 24
For National Guard of Maryland.....	767 83
For National Guard of West Virginia.....	680 24
Aggregating.....	<u>\$4,925 13</u>
We secured a credit on same from the Pennsylvania R. R. and its leased lines on account of advertising and other work performed by Centennial Commit- tee of.....	<u>1,576 24</u>
Leaving amount paid for transportation.....	\$3,348 86
Expenses of Grand Army of Republic.....	2,667 25
Expenses of Union Veteran Legion.....	779 57
Expenses of Mexican Veterans.....	142 30
Expenses of Subsistence Committee.....	384 17
Canton, Ohio, Battalion.....	150 00
Titusville, Pa., Battalion.....	50 00
Hotel expenses Commander and Gov's Staff Officers...	193 95
Horses and carriages for same.....	133 00
Printing orders and transportation blanks.....	17 75
Telegrams and incidentals.....	17 00
Military Headquarters services.....	8 75
Review platform.....	20 00
Brigade Band, National Guard.....	200 00
Total amount of cash expenses.....	<u>\$8,112 63</u>

The amount appropriated for our Committee was \$8,000.00, but through the kindness of Chairman Schmertz, of the Finance Committee, and yourself, our warrants were honored in full to above amount.

The Committee on Third Day's Proceedings generally gave their support and co-operation to promote the success of the Centennial, but special mention of some is just and proper. The name of Col. Norman M. Smith, Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Military, should lead all others. His efforts were unceasing and constant. With an intelligent appreciation of what was required, he labored day and night with an enthusiasm which merited the success which followed. In the ar-

rangements for transportation he was ably supported by Thos. E. Watt and E. D. Smith, of our Committee; and in securing quarters, by Daniel McWilliams and George Shepard, who are each deserving of special mention. Sheriff A. Æ. McCandless and Gen. W. A. Robinson, of the Sub-Committee on Military, also gave liberally of their time in the arrangements of the details. To Gen. A. L. Pearson, Chairman of the Sub-Committee on the Union Veteran Legion; and Col. A. P. Burchfield, Chairman of the Grand Army Sub-Committee, much praise is due for their earnest efforts; and the fine display made by each of these splendid divisions, was largely due to the well directed efforts of the Chairmen named. To Chas. F. McKenna, Esq., the Veterans of the Mexican War and our Committee, are indebted for his industry in arranging for their muster and parade, and for their entertainment and comfort. We also desire to express our thanks to Secretary G. Follansbee, for his courteous aid and assistance rendered to our Committee.

Appreciating in some measure the myriad details that for so many months have demanded and received your unwearied efforts and attention; and sharing in a lesser measure some of the same experiences in connection with the Third Day, I now, with a degree of relief, complete my duties; and take pleasure in congratulating you on the brilliant success attending the Celebration of the Centennial of Allegheny County, for to you and your efforts so large a share of the success is due.

Thanking you for your courteous and timely suggestions and assistance, I remain, Truly, &c.,

WM. P. HERBERT,

Chairman of Sub-Committee on Third Day's Proceedings.

Report of Subsistence Committee.

Rations for Troops.

To the Centennial Committee:

We respectfully submit the following report, and ask that vouchers be made to Mr. A. J. Logan, for money expended, as per his report, for.....\$128 64
And to S. S. Marvin & Co., for bread and crackers furnished, and money expended, as per enclosed statement, for..... 255 53
\$384 17

Your Committee were liberally assisted by our business men, as the following list of donations will show :

DONATIONS.

Fleming & Hamilton, 14 gross tin cups, value.....	\$ 36 40
J. D. McElroy & Sons, stove-pipe and setting up stove.....	5 00
W. J. Caskey & Co., 2 tubs.....	1 50
Riter & Conley, top for stove.....	2 50
J. C. Bartlett, use of large iron kettle.....	
Capt. R. W. A. Simmons, use of stove.....	
Capt. J. P. Penny, use of stove.....	
F. & J. Heinz, 6,000 pickles.....	25 00
E. H. Myers & Co., 6 hams.....	12 86
Hoeveler & Day, 10 hams.....	17 85
J. Stevenson & Co., 9 hams.....	18 49
J. P. Hanna & Co., 6 hams.....	12 00
Colvin, Atwell & Co., 100 lbs. sugar.....	8 00
J. W. Houston & Co., 100 lbs. sugar.....	8 00
S. Ewart & Co., 100 lbs. sugar.....	8 00
Otis, Shepard & Co., 100 lbs sugar.....	8 00
B. H. Voskamp, 100 lbs. sugar.....	8 00
Reymer & Bros., 100 lbs. sugar.....	8 00
McCleary, Myers, Sedden & Co., 50 lbs. sugar.....	4 00
Haworth & Dewhurst, 275 lbs. ground coffee.....	55 00
Heinz Bros. & Co., 5 gallons mustard.....	10 00
Curry & Metzgar, 100 lbs sugar.....	8 00
Dilworth Bros., 10,000 wooden plates.....	50 00
Haworth & Dewhurst, 10,000 envelopes, for sugar rations.....	25 00
Total cost of rations.....	\$707 77

Your Committee took bids from caterers, for furnishing troops with rations equal to what your Committee did furnish, and found that it would cost from 15 cents to 25 cents per ration. We simply mention this to show that your Committee did all in their power to give perfect satisfaction to the men, and at the same time make the cash outlay as small as possible. We might add that there were about 300 loaves of bread left, which we turned over to the Society for Improvement of the Poor, thus showing conclusively that not any of our visiting soldiery, of necessity, went away without having a bountiful supply of eatables.

Your most obedient servants,

Members of Subsistence Committee,

A. J. LOGAN,

S. S. MARVIN.

The number of ration tickets issued was 6,268. The number of men who reported for duty was 1,993.

Taking the lowest bid from the caterers (15 cents per ration) it would have cost \$940.20. Deducting the cash outlay, \$384.17, we show a saving of \$556.03.

The fireworks and Illuminations.

REPORT OF COL. THOS. P. ROBERTS, CHAIRMAN OF SUB-COMMITTEE.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman Allegheny County Centennial Committee.

The Sub-Committee on Decorations and Illuminations desire to thank Mr. Thomas A. Gillespie, manager, and through him the Philadelphia Natural Gas Company, for the efforts they put forth in making the natural gas display the grand success it was. The preparation of this display involved the services of a large number of workmen for more than a week in advance in laying on shore and in the rivers more than 2,000 feet of pipe, most of it being eight inches in diameter. The work of putting up and taking down the fixtures was delegated by Mr. Gillespie to Mr. Jones, in charge of the Company's river lines, assisted by Mr. Gilmore, who has charge of the regulation of valves and gas pressure for the Company. In order to concentrate the flow of gas sufficient to produce the thirteen enormous jets, valves had to be turned in various parts of the Company's network system of pipes in different, and sometimes distant, parts of the city. The Committee has no means of knowing what the actual expense was to the Philadelphia Company in making this display, but it is scarcely possible it could be repeated for less than several thousand dollars.

Messrs. Jones and Gilmore, acting under the advice of the Committee, spared no effort to make the display successful, and nothing was left undone by them which the Committee desired to be carried out.

Mr. John Young, Superintendent of the Allegheny Heating Company, generously offered the use of natural gas in any part of Allegheny City, but the Committee deemed it best to confine this feature of the display to the rivers, and therefore Mr. Young's kind offer was not made use of.

To Capt. John A. Wood thanks are due for the use of the large boats—three of them. each 26 feet wide by 170 feet long—from which the fireworks displays were given. Also for the use of several thousand feet of boards, etc., required on the boats. The use of these boats and material saved the Committee a large expense which would otherwise have been incurred.

Mr. Arthur Kirk and the Laflin-Rand Powder Co. very generously supplied the Committee with a large quantity of powder used by the battery; Messrs. J. H. Johnston & Co., of the Great Western Gun Works, supplying primers for the same.

To Capt. A. E. Hunt and Lieut. Fred. Turner, and the volunteers from Battery B, the Committee owe thanks for their faithful work in making the celebration a success.

Mr. Olnhausen, plumber on Twelfth street, Pittsburg, very kindly sent two skilled employees to assist the chemists in making their numerous and complicated connections in conjunction with the work of coloring the natural gas flames by injecting the various compounds.

The actual expense of the fireworks display, including the contract work with the Unexcelled Fireworks Co., of New York, the Pittsburg Testing Laboratory, the Ruby Light Co., of Pittsburg, and Theo. J. Frank, druggist, of Allegheny, was \$2,928. The natural gas and other contributions would swell this to fully \$5,000.

THOMAS P. ROBERTS,
Chairman.

Advertising.

REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE OF LITERARY WORK AND ADVERTISING.

To the Centennial Committee :

GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Literary Work and Advertising beg leave to make the following report :

Your Committee met weekly and the Secretary held conferences daily with the Agent. For the first three weeks, in addition to the preparation of matter for the city press, they had published in forty-nine papers in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia, articles from a column and a half to two columns in length, prepared by Mr. George C. Jenks, the press Agent. Within the past two weeks similar letters have appeared in 109 papers in the three States mentioned. A scrap book kept by the press Agent shows only part of the work by the Committee, but is evidence of the fact that for a radius of 150 miles the Allegheny County Centennial has been thoroughly advertised. For the publication of all these letters gratuitously, the press outside of the city is deserving of the sincere thanks of our citizens.

The city press have courteously and kindly published everything furnished by our agent, and in addition have supplemented our work with everything of interest

pertaining to the centennial, and your Committee would render to the publishers their hearty thanks. Credit is also due to Mr. W. H. Davis, the manager of the Pittsburg News Agency, whose admirable facilities enabled your Committee to lay before the thousands of readers of the Pittsburg press daily, the latest details connected with the celebration. The Committee also return thanks to Mr. Jenks for his efficient work.

They would further report that for two weeks past they have had a ten-inch advertisement in the forty-nine papers outside of the city, already referred to, and during the last week a similar card appeared in 109 papers, including the five religious papers of Pittsburg. The various railroads have also published in the same papers and others, copious reading notices of the rates and time of trains to Pittsburg.

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Amount of appropriation.....	\$750 00
Expended for advertising.....	\$397 75
Expended for salary, agent, etc.....	186 50
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Balance unexpended.....	\$165 75

Your Committee would further report that they have invited press representatives from abroad to make the Press Club their headquarters while in the city, and would recommend that the balance of the appropriation, or so much of it as may be necessary, be turned over to the Committee to-day to entertain their journalistic brethren. We feel we should entertain them on account of the interest they have manifested in our centennial, and trust the Committee will approve the suggestion. The club has decided to keep open house

during the three days, and has appointed your Committee to receive and entertain the visiting journalists.

Having finished the work assigned them your Committee respectfully ask that they be discharged.

JOHN S. RITENOUR, Chairman,
J. M. KELLY,
JOHN N. NEEB,
T. P. ROBERTS,
PERCY F. SMITH, Secretary.

Police Regulations.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON POLICE REGULATIONS.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman Allegheny County Centennial Committee.

DEAR SIR:—Your Committee on Police Regulations begs to report that matters under their care and charge received careful attention with satisfactory results.

Your committee waited upon the street car companies whose route if used would seriously interfere with mass meetings and processions. Our reception was cordial and concession promised to as great extent as possible, consistent with interests of the company.

The officials of the cities of Pittsburg and Allegheny were hearty in their co-operations and we are only too happy to bear testimony to their active interest in making the Centennial a success.

Chief E. M. Bigelow, of the Department of Highways, had the streets cleaned and put in condition.

Chief J. O. Brown, of the Department of Safety, in addition to giving special attention to his extraordinary duties during the Centennial Celebration, placed at the disposal of your Committee thirty patrolmen, under command of Capt. Dan Silvis. Much is due to Capt. Silvis and the men under his immediate direction for the admirable order about the court buildings, during the unprecedented crowds.

In Allegheny Mayor Pearson had the streets of his city cleared of obstructions, and the police, under Chief Kirschler, were prompt and efficient.

Street Commissioners Messrs. Geo. Moul and W. F. Meese had the streets, over which the parade passed, put in good condition.

We are happy to say that all the officials of both cities were courteous and anxious to assist in making the Centennial Celebration a success, and in protecting and assisting to their full extent those participating, as well as throwing about our citizens, guests and strangers all the safeguards their forethought could suggest. The results exceeded our most sanguine anticipations.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BINDLEY,

Chairman.

Financial.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Hon. Morrison Foster, Chairman Committee on Celebration of the Centennial of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

DEAR SIR:—Below find statement of Treasurer of the Committee:

RECEIPTS.

Cash subscriptions.....\$17,799 44

EXPENDITURES.

Warrants drawn by Committees upon the Treasurer and paid as follows:

Sub-Committee on First Day's Proceedings.....	\$ 881 07
“ “ “ Second Day's Proceedings.....	2,032 72
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“ “ “ Reception and Invitations.....	732 20
“ “ “ Illuminations and Decorations.....	2,932 36
“ “ “ Literary Work and Advertising.....	615 75
“ “ “ General Centennial	1,148 46
“ “ “ Printing.....	608 25
“ “ “ Finance	545 00
Special “ “ Police Regulations.....	191 00

\$17,799 44

C. MEYRAN,
Treasurer.

Report of Auditing Committee.

The Auditing Committee hereby certify to having carefully examined the vouchers of the Treasurer and find the total expenditure to amount to the sum of \$17,799 44, and have also examined the memorandums of deposits by the Secretary and find the total collections for this, amounts to the sum of \$17,799.44, thus closing the account of the Treasurer with all accounts paid.

We find also, that certain of the railroads centering in the city made abatement on their bills for transportation of troops, etc., amounting to the sum of \$1,576.24, which made the total expenditure \$19,375.68.

Auditing Committee { S. P. HARBISON, *Chairman*,
B. L. WOOD, JR.,
NORMAN M. SMITH.

PITTSBURG, February 16th, 1889.

Report of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Company has the honor to acknowledge the successful completion of the year ending December 31, 1900. The Company has achieved a record of growth and prosperity, and the Board is proud to report the following results:

Item	1900	1901
Assets	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
Liabilities	\$500,000	\$600,000
Equity	\$500,000	\$600,000

The Board of Directors has the honor to acknowledge the successful completion of the year ending December 31, 1900. The Company has achieved a record of growth and prosperity, and the Board is proud to report the following results:

Item	1900	1901
Assets	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
Liabilities	\$500,000	\$600,000
Equity	\$500,000	\$600,000

The Board of Directors has the honor to acknowledge the successful completion of the year ending December 31, 1900. The Company has achieved a record of growth and prosperity, and the Board is proud to report the following results:

Item	1900	1901
Assets	\$1,000,000	\$1,200,000
Liabilities	\$500,000	\$600,000
Equity	\$500,000	\$600,000